

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL NOTE**

**HB 194 - SB 316**

March 24, 2019

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Authorizes the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Speaker of the Senate, or a majority of the members of both houses of the General Assembly to intervene in any legal proceeding to: defend the constitutionality of a challenged statute; assert the General Assembly's authority; or advocate for a construction of a statute that is different from that advocated in the proceeding by the Attorney General and Reporter or a district attorney general. Requires the State Treasury to compensate the Speakers and General Assembly for any costs and expenses associated with any action authorized by this legislation.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Other Fiscal Impact – To the extent the Speakers or members of the General Assembly intervene in any legal proceeding, the one-time increase in state expenditures is reasonably estimated to exceed \$100,000.**

Assumptions:

- The precise timing, if any, of any intervention by the Speakers or members of the General Assembly in any legal proceedings cannot be reasonably determined.
- Expenditures may include but not be limited to: appropriately licensed counsel, expert analysis, expert witnesses, travel, meals, lodging, and various administrative expenditures.
- The extent and duration of any future intervention, as well as the location of such proceeding, and in which court such proceeding will take place is unknown.
- To the extent that the Speakers or members of the General Assembly intervene in a legal proceeding, the one-time increase in state expenditures is estimated to exceed \$100,000.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner".

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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